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LAUNCHES GO TO BOTTOM

Three Boats Sink While
Battling Against the
Ice.

THE CREWS ARE ALL SAVED

Holes Pounded in Bottoms
By Ice.

Steel Tug Finally Forces its
Way Through.

The Cold Wave is Raging over the
Whole of the United States—In
Some Localities the Mercury is
Lower than it Has Been in Years—
A Number of Fatalities Reported.

By United Press Wire.
New York, Dec. 30.—Three
launches belonging to battleships in
the north Atlantic battleship fleet,
anchored in the North river, were
sunk today in endeavoring to plow
their way through the ice at the
river bank, where they sought to
take on board 300 shivering sailors
who had been unable all night to get
to their ships. It was only by bring-
ing up a powerful steel tug from the
navy yards that a hole was broken
through the ice pack sufficiently large
for the launches to pass.

The west wind began jamming ice
against the Manhattan side of the
river early last night and by 10
o'clock, there was 100 feet of ice
piled in the river. Through this the
launches tried all night and part of
today to plow a way.

The first of the great steel launches
built for hard work, to sink, was
launch No. 1 of the battleship Wisconsin,
which tried to break through the
ice at Ninety-sixth street. A half
submerged young iceberg
pounded a hole in her bow and the
water, rushing in, caused her boiler
to explode. Her five sailors were
thrown into the icy water, but a tug
managed to smash her way through
the ice and pull them out with boat
hooks, all suffering terribly from exposure.

Steamer No. 2, of the Minnesota,
got mixed up in the ice floes off
Ninety-seventh street, lost her propeller
and wandered aimlessly about
in the ice until her boiler was torn
out and she sank. Boats from the
Wisconsin and Connecticut picked up
her crew out of the water and sent
them to the ship's hospital.

Steamer No. 3 of the Kansas had
a hole punched in her stern and
filled rapidly. She did not go down,
being supported by the ice, but her
water-soaked crew had to leap from
iceberg to iceberg to reach the shore
and they, too, had to go to a hospital
for the thawing out treatment.

Officers and men later were forced
to go to one of the docks away down
town and get a boat to take them to
the channel to the fleet.

It has been impossible to get fresh
food and meat to the fleet, but a
tug has been chartered to start from
downtown and fight her way up to
the fleet.

FOUR PERISH IN CHICAGO.
Chicago, Dec. 30.—When the shiv-
ering Chicago looked at its thermom-
eter today the mercury showed six
below zero and the police reported
that four persons had frozen to death
during the night.

The government weather forecast-
er offered scant consolation when he
reported that the weather today
would be "not quite so cold."

Despite the fact that no snow has
accompanied the chilly blasts from
Medicine Hat, the railroads all re-
port great difficulty in keeping their
schedules and trains are today re-
ported from half an hour to eight
hours late, especially those from the
West.

The dead reported are: Henry Joly,
twelve, fell exhausted while look-
ing for work and froze to death; un-
identified, well dressed man, found
frozen to death on sidewalk; Jacob
Kotz, slipped and fell on icy pave-
ment fracturing his skull, found al-
most frozen and dying; Charles A.
Johnson fell in front of his house
and was frozen when found.

Reports received today from all
over the Middle West indicates still
colder weather. Kansas City reported
zero weather, while Norfolk, Neb.,
had eighteen below and Huron
South Dakota, twelve below. Through-
out Iowa the temperature ranged
from six to fourteen below, while
Missouri points drew about six below
all around. Oklahoma and most of
Kansas got milder weather, western
Kansas reporting temperature of only
eight to ten above.

ZERO WEATHER IN MICHIGAN.
Detroit, Mich., Dec. 30.—Records for
cold weather were set in many places
in Michigan for the last twenty-five
or thirty years today, when the ther-
mometer dropped below zero for sev-
eral hours. Locally, it was coldest at
9 last night when it was two below
zero. At 10 this morning it was ten
above. In Saginaw the thermometer
registered nine below early today, and
that section is experiencing the cold-
est weather of a generation. Traffic
is impeded, and many wires have
snapped.

MOTORMAN IS OVERCOME.
Chicago, Dec. 30.—Alexander Cleo-
phane, motorman on a crowded

street car, screamed in his vestibule
as his car started down a grade and
then fell unconscious from the cold,
early today. The conductor stopped
the car and a panic was prevented.
The official temperature at 7 a. m.
was three degrees below zero, the
coldest of the winter. An extra force
of physicians worked at the Cincin-
nati hospital, and thirty cases of
frost bites were handled in a few
hours.

MANY DIE OF EXPOSURE.
Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 30.—Follow-
ing the heavy snows of the past few
days, zero weather prevails today
throughout Pennsylvania. The coldest
reported is from Crescon, where
the mercury registered eleven below
zero. Other points report from four
to nine below. Many deaths from
exposure are being reported.

The railroads have not yet been
able to get back to their regular
schedules and trains were from thirty
minutes to two hours late.

THE OHIO IS FROZEN.
Louisville, Ky., Dec. 30.—The tem-
perature this morning went to one
above zero. The Ohio river, which
is wider just above the falls than at
any other part of its course, is frozen
across, and if the cold continues,
the ice will become heavy enough to
permit teams to be driven from shore
to shore as was the case in 1893. The
price of coal is \$4.50 a load with
further advance is threatened.

CHILLY IN HOOSIERDOM.
Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 30.—Indi-
ana is now in the grasp of the cold
wave which has broken all records
since 1905. At seven o'clock today,
the mercury in the government ther-
mometer registered eight degrees be-
low zero, which is the lowest it has
been since February, 1905, when the
thermometer showed sixteen below.
There are few reports of suffering
among the poor, however.

CONNECTICUT IS CHILLY.
New Haven, Conn., Dec. 30.—Re-
ports coming in from various
parts of Connecticut indicates that
last night and early this morning
the thermometer registered the low-
est temperature of the winter.

Norfolk was perhaps the coldest
town in the state, the temperature at
6 o'clock this morning being twelve
below. At Winsted the temperature
was ten below at the same hour.

12 ABOVE IN ALABAMA.
Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 30.—The
coldest weather ever experienced in
Alabama in December, according to
the official government weather fore-
caster, reached a climax today when
the thermometer reached twelve de-
grees above zero at 7 a. m. Intense
suffering is reported from all por-
tions of the South.

SAME HERE IN OHIO.
Columbus, Dec. 30.—Reports from
Ohio show that inland portions of the
state are suffering most severely from
the cold and snow. Inland county
seats report temperatures from two
to five degrees below zero. No fatal-
ities have been reported thus far.

BOSTON POOR SUFFER.
Boston, Dec. 30.—Boston today suf-
fered practically zero weather, the
coldest of this winter. At 8 A. M.
the thermometer stood only two be-
low zero. In the poorer quarters of
the city the suffering is intense.

RIVER IS GORGED.
Galipolis, O., Dec. 30.—The Great
Kanawha river is gorged and closed
by ice at its mouth this morning.

JUDGE GRANTS TRIAL DIVORCE

Provisions of the Decree
are Unusual, if not
Illegal.

By United Press Wire.
Chicago, Dec. 30.—Can a court
grant a "trial" divorce effective for
only a limited number of years? This
is the question countless Chicago
jurists and lawyers are asking each
other today, following the granting of
such a decree to Mrs. William Wo-
hole, of Hammond, Indiana, by Judge
Vergil S. Rietter, of the Lake county
superior court. The Wohles are di-
vorced for a period of five years, af-
ter which time they can live together
if they so desire. If, during that
time they should make up and wish
to be remarried, they would have to
wait until the five years have ex-
pired.

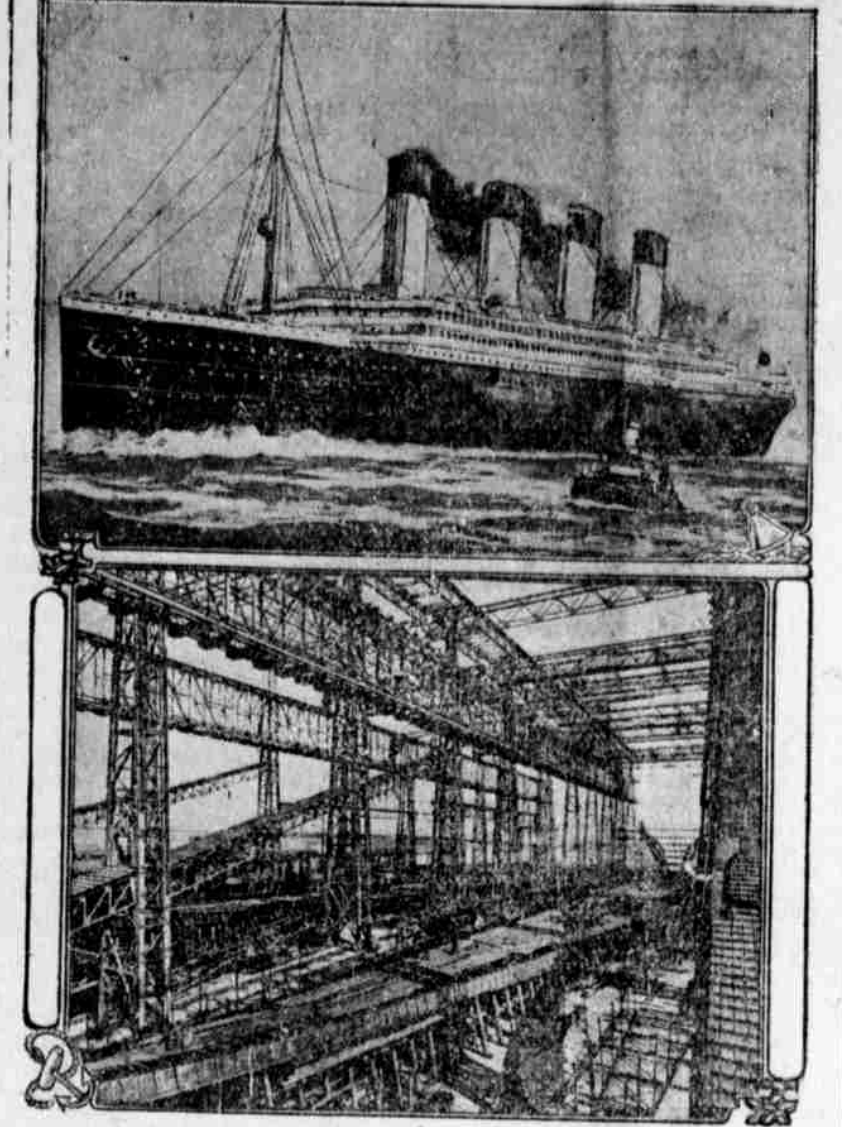
Again, if within that space of time,
the couple should get out of the state
and re-wed, and then decide to get
a divorce after the expiration of five
years, they would have to get two
divorces to be legally separated.

In commenting on the unusual di-
vorce, Judge Jesse Holdom said:
"I think Rietter's decision is very
inconsistent. It is against the pol-
icy of a state to keep married peo-
ple apart, except, of course, in case
of crime. Marriage is a contract,
and the court cannot deprive a couple
of their rights to keep that contract.
The idea of a limited divorce is
foolish."

MOROCCAN WAR IS RESUMED

By United Press Wire.
Madrid, Dec. 30.—It was officially
announced today that the Moroccan
war against the Spanish force under Gen-
eral Marina, and had attacked the
town of Alhucemas, where there is a
military fortress. The engagement
is said to have been slight with but
few casualties. The deepest depres-
sion prevails here over the renewal
of the Moroccan war.

THE WORLD'S LARGEST VESSEL, THE TITANIC, NOW BEING BUILT.



Here is an architectural picture of the steamship Titanic, which is being
built for the White Star line at Belfast; also a view of the giant steel "cradle"
in which the ship is being constructed. The keel of the steamship is seen in
the lower photograph. The White Star company is to have two of these
levathans, and they will be in commission early in 1911. Their launching
will signalize a most important era in marine achievement, for they will be
by all odds the largest vessels in the world. The Titanic and Olympic will
each be 860 feet in length, 92 feet beam, 45,000 tons register and 69,000 tons
displacement. These enormous dimensions are best expressed in compar-
isons. The Washington monument is 555 feet high and the Metropolitan tower
in New York city rises 700 feet. The combined tonnage of the Olympic
and Titanic far exceeds the tonnage of all the vessels engaged on both
sides in the historic conflict of the Spanish armada, and it is even more in-
teresting to know that the Santa Maria was only 60 feet long and 235 tons
burden, yet on this vessel Columbus journeyed to the new world.

PROPOSES TAX ON FORTUNES

Says State Deserves Per-
centage of Winnings of
Noblemen.

HEIRESSSES BECOME ALIENS

Judge Proposes a Ten Per-
cent Tax.

The Larger the Fortune the
Higher the Tax.

Bill Providing a Tax on Fortunes
Married by Foreign Noblemen Will
Probably be Presented at the
Coming Session of the New York
General Assembly—Transfer Tax
Also Proposed.

By United Press Wire.
New York, Dec. 30.—Justice James
W. Gerard, of the New York supreme
court, believes that the state of New
York should impose a tax on foreign
marriages and on all fortunes that
are inherited by aliens within the
state. In an article in Collier's for
January, he explains that only in this
way can the state collect a "percent-
age of the noblemen's winnings," and
he declares he will try to have a bill
to carry out his plan introduced at
the coming session of the state legis-
lature. In his article he says:
"The little American heiresses,
strolling arm in arm up the Rue de
La Paix, peeping in to the shop win-
dows and laughingly picking out the
kind of crown they would like to
have on their belongings, are becom-
ing quite an economical problem. In
recent years but a few female in-
heritors of swollen American for-
tunes have seen fit to marry in their
own land. I claim that money should
be sent where it was made and that
if these girls choose to become ab-
sentee landlords and draw what now
amounts to a great annual tribute
from the United States to spend
abroad on amiable Italians and high
priced Highlanders that they should
pay a tax."

"A woman who marries an alien
becomes by law an alien. An alien
has no constitutional right to take or
hold property here. The state may
annex any condition it pleases to the
inheriting of property by an alien.
Formerly in this state an alien could
only inherit land by coming here to
reside and filing a declaration of in-
tention to become a citizen. So there
is nothing new, nothing unconstitu-

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ment in the law I propose. I propose
where an alien inherits property by
will or descent from a resident of any
state there shall be a state transfer
tax as follows:
"Where the amount inherited is
over \$100,000 and less than \$500,000,
ten per cent; over \$500,000 and less
than \$1,000,000, fifteen per cent; over
\$1,000,000 and less than \$2,000,000,
twenty per cent; where the amount
is over \$2,000,000, twenty-five per cent.
The same tax will also apply to
transfers of property made to aliens
by living residents of the state, under
pain of fine and imprisonment to
the resident if the tax be not paid.

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Missouri Telephone Merg-
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Pay Dirt.

By United Press Wire.
Jefferson City, Mo., Dec. 30 The
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point in the Missouri anti-trust laws.
Major, in asking an examiner from
the supreme court declared the Amer-
ican Telephone and Telegraph com-
pany, the Bell and the Missouri,
Kansas and Eastern and Eastern
companies are in a combination to
control the business of the state.

To prove it, he declared the tele-
phone companies bought up inde-
pendent concerns, increased the cost
of service and divided the business
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The officers of the companies ad-
mitted a mutual ownership of the
three principal companies and that
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panies, divided territory and increas-
ed rates.

It is believed, therefore, that the
telephone people can make only one
defense, and that it is that they have
committed no offense against the anti-
trust law. To do this it will be nec-
essary to read into the law a number
of things that the Standard Oil and
Waters-Pierce attorneys failed to
read, and which, according to at-
torneys, the Missouri supreme court
did not find.

ESTRADA SENDS AN ULTIMATUM

Submits Two Propositions
to The Nicaraguan
President.

NEITHER WILL BE ACCEPTED

Revolutionists to Choose
The President

Other Proposition is for an
Election.

Madriz Makes a Clear Diplomatic
Stroke by Appointing the Provi-
sional President's Brother on the
Peace Commission—Madriz is Pre-
paring for a Battle with Estrada's
Forces at Acayapa.

By United Press Wire.
Managua, Dec. 30.—It is rumored
here today that provisional president
Estrada has sent an ultimatum to
President Madriz that the only con-
ditions under which he will agree to
a suspension of hostilities and an
abandonment of the proposed attack
on Managua are the selection of a
man of the revolutionists' choosing for
presidency or the calling of a general
presidential election, the revolution-
ists to retain their arms during the
election.

Neither alternative, it is believed,
will be agreeable to Madriz. To ac-
cept either would mean his loss of the
presidency. The revolutionists have
already announced their dissatisfaction
with him and were they to retain
their arms during the proposed elec-
tion, it is conceded they would con-
trol the election and bring about the
success of their own candidates.

The peace commissioners chosen by
Madriz to confer with Estrada's
representatives, consisting of Colonel
Jose Estrada, a brother of the pro-
visional president; Benjamin Vidaurre
and Gilberto Saballos, will put forth
every effort to have Estrada recede
from what is termed his dictatorial
policy, but there is scant hope that he
will yield.

The appointment of Estrada's
brother to a place on the commission
is considered a clever diplomatic
stroke and may be the means of a
successful conclusion to the peace
negotiations.

In the meantime, Madriz is pre-
paring for a battle at Acayapa and is
still hurrying troops to that point.
Should Estrada attempt to reach
Managua by another route, the Acayapa
force will be diverted to whatever
point necessary to intercept him.
There is no confirmation of the story
that former President Zelaya dis-
tributed 10,000 guns among the gov-
ernment supporters just prior to his
retirement from office, but from the
fact that the new Madriz recruits are
well armed, it is inferred that the re-
port is true.

The Nicaraguan congress and Presi-
dent Madriz continue to give convinc-
ing proof of their hostility to Zelaya.
The best evidence of this yet exhib-
ited is the granting of authority to
War Minister Bacaya to levy war
taxes and to tax the friends of Zela-
ya, who escaped former levies, for ar-
rearages.

The recognition of Madriz as presi-
dent by Mexico, Honduras, Salvador
and Costa Rica, it is hoped, will in-
fluence the United States to take
similar action.

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San Juan Del Sur, Dec. 30.—It is
reported here that the commander
of the government troops at Acayapa
has decided to join the revolutionist
cause and that instead of opposing
the Estrada forces as planned by
Madriz, he will aid them. If this re-
port is true, and it is accepted here
as correct, Estrada will have no dif-
ficulty in advancing on Managua. It
is believed that it will mean that Act-
ing President Madriz will yield to the
terms Estrada has demanded and that
a general election will be called at
once.

Anibal Chavez, who refused to car-
ry out Zelaya's orders for the execu-
tion of the Americans, Cannon and
Groce and who was degraded and im-
prisoned for this act, left Corinto for
Panama, from which place he will
sail for New York.

Washington, Dec. 30.—There seems
to be no abatement of military activ-
ity at Managua, according to dis-
patches received at the state depart-
ment today. General Toledo, who
conducted the Zelaya campaign at
Greytown and who is supposed to be
in possession of the arms distributed
by Zelaya before his departure, is
at Managua superintending mili-
tary preparations practically in the
capacity of minister of war for the
Madriz government.

The state department has not yet
been informed of the action of Mex-
ico or any of the Central American
countries in recognizing the Madriz
government. Even in case of recog-
nition, it is definitely stated that the
United States will pursue its policy
without change.

TRACTION LINE OFFICIAL INDICTED

By United Press Wire.
Cincinnati, Dec. 30.—W. Keesley
Schoepf, president of the Cincinnati
Traction company, and of the Ohio
Traction company, was indicted by the
grand jury on four counts today,
charging failure to keep cars on four
city lines up to the temperature of
sixty degrees required by law. The
technical charge is that this tem-
perature was not maintained in the
motormen's vestibules. In his fight
for better traction service in Cincin-
nati, Prosecutor Hunt, a few weeks
ago secured the indictment and con-
viction of President Ernest of the C.
N. & C., the over the river traction
line on the same charge. The
charge was based on the time the
cars were in Cincinnati. Ernst plead-
ed guilty and was fined.

TONG WAR IS RENEWED

Ah Hoon a Noted Chinese
Actor Murdered in New
York City.

ON LEONG MEN BLAMED

Murder Said to Have Been
In Retaliation.

Police Admit They Fear
Grave Results.

Death Notice was Sent to The mark-
ed Man and His Enemies Lost no
Time in Carrying it Into Effect—
Victim was a Prominent Member
of the Four Brothers Tong, a Rival
of the On Leong Tong.

By United Press Wire.
New York, Dec. 30.—The war of
the Chinese tongs has been renewed
with increased vigor and today the
police admit that they fear grave re-
sults from the murder, earlier in the
day, of Ah Hoon, a noted Chinese
actor, who was formerly a member
of the Four Brothers, which, how-
ever, he deserted for the On Leong
tongs.

Ah Hoon was killed, it is said, in
retaliation for the murder, last Mon-
day night, of Low Fung, treasurer of
the Four Brothers, and Low Jung,
another Four Brothers, who were
assassinated by members of the On
Leong tong at 30 1-2 Fell street.

Commissioner Baker has thrown
scores of policemen and plain clothes
men into China town today and ad-
mits that another tong war is feared.
The On Leong tongs and the Four
Brothers have been at deadly enmity
since the murder of Elsie Sigel by
Leon Ling, a member of the On Le-
ong tongs, and the Four Brothers
did their best to aid the police in
capturing him while the On Leong
tongs successfully aided him to escape.

Ah Hoon was thirty-five years old
and was assistant stage manager
and an actor in the Chinese theater
at 5 Dwyer street. He was very pop-
ular with the other members of the
Chinese colony and was well known
in San Francisco. In the Pacific
coast city, Ah Hoon was an ardent
member of the Four Brothers and
was associated in the theatrical busi-
ness with Jo Quan.

When six years ago Ah Hoon came
to New York he deserted the Four
Brothers and joined the On Leong
tongs. The Four Brothers hated him
for this act and selected him as their
victim.

Yesterday he received the death
notice and was greatly unnerved. He
made preparations to leave New York
until the feud had died out, but took
his part as usual in the cast at the
Chinese theater last night, going to
his home next door, after the per-
formance, through a secret passage-
way that had been prepared for him.

As he reached his room shots were
heard. When other Chinese actors in
the house rushed to Ah Hoon's room
they found him shot to death. There
was no other Chinaman in sight.
How the murderers escaped the police
cannot be guessed.

The police have arrested as mater-
ial witnesses Mrs. Clara Quan, widow
of Jo Quan, the Chinese actor of San
Francisco, with whom Ah Hoon lived
and Lee Jung, a friend of Ah Hoon's
living in the same house, but admit
they do not suspect them of the mur-
der.

SAYS THE BRAKES FAILED TO WORK

By United Press Wire.
Traverse City, Mich., Dec. 30.—Of-
ficials of the Pere Marquette railroad
today declared the failure of the
brakes of a heavy logging train was
responsible for the wreck of that
train yesterday, when it broke loose
on a hill near here and crashed into
a snow pile that was following it
up the grade. George W. Phelps
of this place, conductor on the snow
plow, and Arthur Kennicott, a sec-
tion hand, were killed, and Train-
master Drew of Petoskey seriously
injured.

Lemberg, Austria, 30.—The police
are today rounding up all the crim-
inals in the city in the hope of find-
ing the pickpockets who are charged
with exploding fireworks during a
moving picture show at a local
theater last night, causing a panic
that resulted in five deaths and the
serious injuring of twenty-one
others.

GOOD NEWS FOR IDLE WORKMEN

By United Press Wire.
Chicago, Dec. 30.—Workingmen,
idle and destitute, received a bit of
encouragement today in the an-
nouncement that an enormous new
steel plant of two modern blast fur-
naces is to be added to the present
establishment of the Ironpuole Iron
company of South Chicago, as soon as
the cold weather subsides sufficiently
to permit the beginning of construc-
tion work.

The new plant will cost \$2,000,000
and will more than double the ca-
pacity of the present equipment, ris-
ing its output from 500 tons of pig
iron daily from two furnaces to 1,300
tons daily with four.

This announcement came with an
increase of the company's capital to
\$3,000,000 and the financing of a
bond issue for an equal sum. The
combined plant will give employment
to 1,000 men.

SATOLLI UNCONSCIOUS

Rome, Dec. 30.—Cardinal Bishop
Satolli is still unconscious today, hav-
ing lain in that state for nearly two
days. Extreme unction was admin-
istered to him last evening.

THREATEN TO SECEDE

Some Railroads are Anxious
To Settle the Switch-
man's Strike.

PROGRESS IS VERY SLOW

Nothing Accomplished by
Either Side.

Many Things are Promised
For Tomorrow.

Railroad Managers Deny There is Dis-
ension in Their Ranks but it is Ap-
parent Some are not Satisfied
With Events—Freight Handlers
May Join the Strikers if a Settle-
ment is not Reached.

By United Press Wire.
Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 30.—No
developments today mark the pro-
gress of the switchmen's strike, af-
side from the withdrawal by the rail-
roads of their offer to abide by the
decision of the Chicago conference
men as soon as they have places for
them and the removal of the em-
bargo of wheat shipments in some of
the small towns of the state by the
Great Northern road.

Important events in the strike sit-
uation are promised for tomorrow,
however. At Washington President
Taft will meet Chairman Knapp of
the International state Commerce
commission, United States Labor com-
missioner Neil, and H. B. Perham,
president of the railroad department
of the American Federation of Labor.

The freight handlers of St. Paul
met in large numbers last night and
took the same action as their Min-
neapolis brothers did two weeks ago.
The strike vote being taken rapidly
throughout the northwest among the
various organizations affiliated with
the American Federation of Labor.

General Superintendent Huntington
of the Soo road said today there was
no truth in the rumor that the
railroad managers were disagreeing
among themselves. "All is peaceful
and the managers seem to be a unit
on this proposition."

Three Northwestern roads, the Min